



# Association Highlights

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## Apply for Future Angus Stockmen scholarship

Aimed at fostering the next generation of commercial cattle producers, the Future Angus Stockmen program, established by the American Angus Association, offers

opportunities for young cattlemen and women to gain the knowledge and tools they need to succeed.

Now in its second year, Future Angus Stockmen partners with Allfex USA to award a \$1,000 scholarship to a college student

involved in the commercial-Angus business.

The winner will be notified in October 2016, and the scholarship presented during the Angus Convention Nov. 5-7 in Indianapolis, Ind. Applications will be judged on the participant's future career path, passion for beef cattle and leadership experiences within the industry.

To be eligible, the applicant or applicant's parents or guardians must have transferred or have been transferred a registration paper in the last 36 months (on or after May 1, 2013). They must also have an affiliate member code or a current membership with the American Angus Association, and must be enrolled in the Future Angus Stockmen program. To access the enrollment, visit <http://www.angus.org/Performance/Documents/FASEnrollmentForm.pdf>.

Applications are available online and must be postmarked by Sept. 16.

## Consign bulls to the NWSS Bull Sale

The Association is accepting consignments for the 2017 National Western Angus Bull Sale at the National Western Stock Show (NWSS) in Denver, Colo. The sale is set for Wednesday, Jan. 11, and producers can save \$100 by acting now.

Consignments received on or before Sept. 15 carry an entry fee of \$400 per head. From Sept. 16 through the Oct. 1 entry deadline, the fee is \$500 per head. All bulls consigned must be entered in the NWSS. In addition, bulls must be genomic-trait-tested and possess a complete set of expected progeny differences (EPDs) and dollar value indexes (\$Values). Bulls born before Jan. 1, 2016, must have passed a complete breeding soundness examination (sometimes referred to as a BSE), including both physical and semen, within 30 days of the sale.

The Sale Bull Show will start at 8 a.m. in the Stadium Arena. The three-person committee of Kyle Gillooly, Wadley, Ga.; Andy Musgrave, Pittsfield, Ill.; and Jim Vietheer, Wilton, Calif., will place the bulls using a composite system. There will be no individual classes in the show. The judges will be asked to place the bulls in each division only to assist in making the sale order. No rankings will be published.

Prospective buyers in attendance will be invited into the showing to inspect the bulls after the grand and reserve grand champions have been selected.

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## ASSOCIATION FEES

### CURRENT ASSOCIATION FEES

Following are the correct fees for various American Angus Association services. Be sure to send the correct amount of money with the work being requested, as incorrect payments are the main cause of delays.

### REGISTRATIONS

Applications for animals less than 4 months of age	\$7
Applications for animals 4-10 months of age	\$9
Applications for animals 10-12 months of age	\$14
Applications for animals more than 12 months of age	\$27

### TRANSFERS

Applications received less than 30 days from sale date	\$5
Applications received 30-60 days from sale date	\$7
Applications received more than 60 days from sale date	\$12

### MISCELLANEOUS

Angus Herd Improvement Records (AHIR) fee (per weaning weight)	\$3
Artificial insemination (AI) service certificate	\$10
Regular annual membership	\$80
Regular annual membership with <i>Angus Journal</i> subscription	\$130
Lifetime membership (optional to pay in three \$500/year installments)	\$1,500
Junior annual membership (less than 21 years of age)	\$20
Embryo-transfer (ET) calf	regular registration fee plus \$10
Cell-clone transplant calf	regular registration fee plus \$50

Rules of the American Angus Association are included in the *Breeder's Reference Guide*. Free copies are available from the Association. An online version is available through the "Rules and Forms" link at [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org).

## BREEDER'S REFERENCE

Symbols are used with a registration number to denote important information about an animal.

Symbol	Meaning
#	Pathfinder cow or Pathfinder sire
+	Embryo transfer calf
^	Cell clone
%	Split-ET
@	Clone-ET

The American Angus Association currently recognizes the following genetic conditions:

Code	Meaning
AM	Arthrogyposis multiplex
CA	Contractural arachnodactyly
D2	PRKG2 gene mutation for dwarfism
DD	Developmental duplication
DM	Double muscling
DW	Dwarfism
HG	Horn gene
HI	Heterochromia irides
M1	nt821 mutation for double muscling
NH	Neuropathic hydrocephalus
OH	Oculocutaneous hypopigmentation
OS	Osteopetrosis
RD	Red gene
SN	Syndactyly
WT	Wild type color gene

The following single-letter descriptors appearing after a genetic condition code shall have the following meaning:

- P – refers to a "potential" carrier based on an ancestor known to carry that specific mutation.
- F – refers to an animal tested for one or more genetic conditions and determined to be "free" of that specific mutation.
- C – refers to an animal tested for one or more genetic conditions and determined to be a "carrier" of that specific mutation.
- A – refers to an animal tested for one or more genetic conditions and determined to be a carrier of two copies of that specific mutation. It may or may not exhibit the phenotype associated with that genetic condition.

The following letter designations describe cases in which there is more than one genetic condition present:

- XF – Free of more than one genetic condition.
- XC – Carrier of more than one genetic condition.
- XA – Affected of more than one genetic condition.
- RTF – Recessive trait free (produced 35 or more calves from daughters without a genetic defect).

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Auctioneer Joe Goggins of Billings, Mont., will cry this year's sale, which will begin in the Stadium Arena (note new location) immediately after the sale of the Angus Foundation Heifer Package at 5 p.m.

Awards will be presented to the consignors of the grand champion and reserve grand champion sale bulls.

- ▶ Grand champion bull will receive a \$2,500 cash prize plus other awards totaling \$5,000. These awards include an embroidered award jacket, a full-page color ad in the *Angus Journal* and a genomic test package.
- ▶ Reserve grand champion will receive \$1,000 cash prize plus other awards totaling \$3,500. These awards include an embroidered award jacket, a full-page color ad in the *Angus Journal* and a genomic test package.
- ▶ Division champions and reserve champions will each receive \$100 and \$50 cash prizes, respectively, and an embroidered award vest.

For more information contact David Gazda, sale manager, at 706-296-7846 or a regional manager. For entry forms contact Sarah Hixon in the Events and Education Department at 816-383-5142 or visit [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org).

### Auxiliary to host fundraiser

The Auxiliary is excited to present a new fundraiser, the Full Circle Online Auction, a national Angus consignment sale hosted by *AngusLive.com* Sept. 28-29. The Auxiliary is currently seeking a wide variety of items with a fair-market value in excess of \$100. Auction categories include live animals, embryo and semen packages, Angus memorabilia and collectibles, home décor, cattle equipment and other useful items.

Consignors will receive 50% of the gross revenue their lots generate (or they can donate 100% to the Auxiliary), as well as recognition in the sale promotion to be launched at the NJAS and on the online site throughout July, August and September. Consignments may be accepted until mid-August. If you are interested in being a consignor, contact Cortney Hill-Dukehart Cates at [cortneyhd@gmail.com](mailto:cortneyhd@gmail.com), Jena Wagner at [jenalee.wagner@gmail.com](mailto:jenalee.wagner@gmail.com), or Shally Rogen at [drogen3061@aol.com](mailto:drogen3061@aol.com). Check out the great lots at <http://Angusauxiliary.com/FullCircleOnlineAuction.html> and support the Auxiliary.

### Register for the Angus Convention

Registration for the 2016 Angus Convention set for Nov. 5-7 in Indianapolis,

Ind., is open and available at [www.angusconvention.com](http://www.angusconvention.com).

Now in its third year, the event will feature expanded workshops that cover a variety of topics, including genomics, recordkeeping, herd management and performance tools. A three-day trade show featuring allied-industry partners will offer cattlemen and women a chance to browse through the latest in products and services available to the beef industry and to visit with Angus breeders and their commercial partners from throughout the country.

Convention highlights will include the National Angus Tour hosted by the

Indiana Angus Association and the Angus Foundation's invitation-only Supporter Recognition Event on Friday, Nov. 4; the International Angus Genomics Symposium sponsored by Neogen's GeneSeek Operations and cattle demonstrations sponsored by Zoetis on Saturday, Nov. 5; Angus University and a Sawyer Brown concert sponsored by Merck Animal Health on Sunday, Nov. 6; and the Annual Convention of Delegates on Monday, Nov. 7.

For more details and to register online, visit [www.angusconvention.com](http://www.angusconvention.com). See the story on page 76, or the eight-page

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insert included in the July issue, for more information.

### Annual Convention of Delegates approaching

You've already voted for the members you wish to represent you as state and district delegates to the American Angus Association Annual Convention of Delegates by submitting nominations in June and casting your ballot in July. Ballots were counted in early August, and the list of candidates and delegates chosen to represent the membership will be posted on [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org) and published in the October *Angus Journal*.

Elected delegates will conduct Association business at the 133rd Annual Convention of Delegates, scheduled to be hosted in conjunction with the Angus Convention in Indianapolis, Ind., Nov. 7.

Part of the business for this year's meeting will be the election of five members to the Association's Board of Directors, as well as electing the Board's president and vice president. To learn more about members running for Board seats this November, watch for candidate biographies in the October issue of the *Angus Journal*.

### Be a champion of the breed's future

Make plans to join the Angus Foundation Friday evening, Nov. 4, in Indianapolis, Ind., for its Supporter Recognition Event. This year's theme is "Championing a Cause."

All Angus supporters who have contributed \$250 to the Angus Foundation this fiscal year (Oct. 1, 2015-Sept. 30, 2016) will be invited. The evening will include a reception and plated dinner followed by entertainment and a short program.

You can guarantee your reservation to the event by making your gift of \$250 or more by Sept. 30. Gifts can be made online by Visa® or MasterCard®. Visit [www.angusfoundation.org](http://www.angusfoundation.org) and click "Donate Online."

### Talon Internship accepting host breeder, intern applications

The Angus Foundation, in conjunction with the Angus/Talon Youth Education Learning Program Endowment Fund, is currently accepting host breeder applications for the Talon Internship Program. The internship program is designed to pair Angus youth with Angus breeders to develop a mentor/mentee relationship throughout the course of a summer. This relationship will lead to a successful educational experience and increase the knowledge and understanding for raising registered-Angus

cattle and the beef cattle industry for the mentee.

Applications for hosts and interns are due to the Events and Education Department by Sept. 15.

For more information and both the breeder and intern applications, please visit [www.angusfoundation.org/fdn/Events/FdnTalon.html](http://www.angusfoundation.org/fdn/Events/FdnTalon.html) or contact Chelsey Smith at [csmith@angus.org](mailto:csmith@angus.org) or 816-383-5149.

### Cattlemen's Boot Camp approaching

The next Cattlemen's Boot Camp will be hosted Sept. 21-22 at the University of Nebraska-Lincoln, prior to the start of the 2016 Nebraska Angus Tour.

This Boot Camp is an educational collaboration of the University of Nebraska, the American Angus Association and the Angus Foundation. Participants will gain insight to many aspects of the cattle industry from university and Association speakers and activities.

### Attend ARSBC workshop

The 2016 Applied Reproductive Strategies in Beef Cattle (ARSBC) workshop will be hosted in Des Moines, Iowa, Sept. 7-8 at the Embassy Suites.

Registration is available for \$250, including onsite registrations. Students receive a \$100 discount based on the fee in effect at the time of registration. For registration and information, visit [www.aep.iastate.edu/arsbc/](http://www.aep.iastate.edu/arsbc/).

Angus Media will provide complete coverage of the event at [www.appliedreprostrategies.com](http://www.appliedreprostrategies.com).

### ROV show season

The 2015-2016 Roll of Victory (ROV) show season ended May 31, and the 2016-2017 ROV show season officially began June 1. Show exhibitors travel during the season across the country to accumulate points. The final tally of points for the show heifer, show bull and breeder of the year, along with all division awards, are posted online at [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org).

Show heifer, show bull and breeder of the year awards for the 2015-2016 show year will be presented at the Association's Annual Awards Breakfast in Indianapolis, Ind. All winners will be recognized during the 2017 National Angus Show at the 2016 North American International Livestock Exposition in Louisville, Ky.

For complete information about the ROV program and a list of the 18 point shows, visit [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org) or contact the Events and Education Department.

### NAILE entries due Oct. 1

If you plan to show at the 2016 North American International Livestock Exposition

(NAILE) this November, make sure your entries are in by Oct. 1. Premium sale books and entry forms are available by contacting the NAILE office at 502-595-3166. Entries may be mailed, submitted by fax at 502-367-5299 or submitted on the website at [www.livestockexpo.org](http://www.livestockexpo.org).

### The Angus Report changes time slot on RFD-TV

Starting July 4, *The Angus Report* transitioned to an earlier time slot to 7 a.m. CDT each Monday morning on RFD-TV.

*The Angus Report* is produced entirely by the Angus Media team in the Association's television studio in Saint Joseph, Mo., as part of the suite of Angus-based media including the *Angus Journal*, the *Angus Beef Bulletin*, *Angus Talk* and other platforms that provide coverage from industry events, Angus shows and activities, and farms and ranches across the country.

Tune in for the 7 a.m. CDT Monday morning broadcast, or catch the program as it re-airs at 1:30 p.m. CDT Saturday on RFD-TV.

### Purchase Angus photos online

While in the showring or covering Angus events, the Association staff captures thousands of photos throughout the year. Candid photographs, backdrop images and others can be found online through a special photo website ([photo.angus.org](http://photo.angus.org)). The Association offers digital downloads, photo prints and other gift items, such as magnets, photo books, key chains and more.

For more information, contact [prphotos@angus.org](mailto:prphotos@angus.org) or 816-383-5100 for more information.

### Request sale-day or field-day kit

Producers planning a field day or a fall sale can request a sale-day kit or field-day planner and kit from the American Angus Association. The kits include educational and promotional information about the Angus breed and Association programs.

All materials should be requested at least two weeks prior to your event to ensure items will reach your destination. Contact Amber Wahlgren or Lea Ann Maudlin at 816-383-5100.

### Download the Angus App

Angus Mobile is a free, smartphone application for the iPhone, iPad and Android devices that allows app users to update herd data no matter where they are on their farm or ranch. Download the easy-to-navigate app and gain access to the latest news, sale reports, show results, EPDs and \$Values, percentiles and much more. Visit [www.angus.org](http://www.angus.org) for more details.



